

## **UNDER EXAMINATION**

United States is now using drones against its own people!

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The Bible nowhere teaches that the vast majority of people on earth will wind up in Heaven! To the contrary it teaches that the vast majority will wind up in Hell! All of God's creation stands under His great Examination! In other words the entire human race is being tested! When you were born the examination and test began! Never heard that before have you? Well it's Bible! You are being tested on the basis of the ETERNAL WORD OF GOD! The Bible says, "Every man will give and account to God." What's that account for, to see how you fared, or how you tested! I have a pastor friend who told me about a dream he had, in the dream he died and went to Heaven. One of the arc angels met him and was escorting him around Paradise; they came to these two large doors and entered and when they went in there was a large room full of heaven's citizens. They were all excited and rejoicing about how beautiful Heaven was, turning, all of them saw me and it got silent, no one was making a sound, it was so quiet that one could hear a pin drop. Every one's eyes were glued on me. A few moments past and he looked at the arc angel and asked, "Why is it so quiet?" He then told the arc angel that he knew some of the people in the room, see that guy over there he use to steal my lunch. How did he get here? And there's another fella over there, he use to beat me up all the time. How did he get here? Then another and another, how did they get here? Then he asked the arc angel again, "Why are they looking at me like that? Why is it so quiet?" The arc angel turned to him and said, "They are in shock! They're all surprised that you are here." That's what it's going to be like when we all arrive on Heaven's eternal shores! When we all get to hallelujah square, what rejoicing there will be! Many will be there you never dreamed would be there and many will be absent that you thought would be there! The examination is the reason! The examination is the reason why?

How is that? Let's take a close look at the examination: first let's see why the examination is not because of man's goodness, second it's not because of man's sinfulness and last of all the real reason for the examination! First the examination is not because of man's goodness! The Bible says "there is none good no not one." (Rom. 3) Jesus said "Why callest thou me good? When there is only one good, God!" As we can see as far as God is concerned there is none good! NO NOT ONE! Sure! All human kind has some good in them, but we all are inwardly bad! And that bad causes us not to be acceptable to God! This word ACCEPTABLE is important! I'll get to that in a minute. Because of this sin in man, God cannot see man as good but as totally, wholly bad! There is none good! Paul the Apostle said, "There is no good thing that dwelleth in my flesh..." 1 Tim. 1:15 "The heart is deceitful above all things..." Jeremiah 17:9 "They that knoweth to do good and doeth it not to him it is sin." Again, Jesus knowing man's heart said, "If a man looks upon a woman to lust after her he hath committed adultery already in his heart." Yes! You don't have to actually commit the sin physically to be guilty! As far as God is concerned if you are associated with it in any way you are guilty! I am guilty! You are guilty! We all are guilty! That's why we all are bad! Bad! Remember the examination is not because we are good or because of our goodness! THERE IS NONE GOOD!

Second it's not because of man's sinfulness! Man cannot help being sinful, man was born in sin; it's in the blood, he inherited that sin or sinful nature from his father! Sin is inherent! Sin is innate in all of us! Sin is an instinct! Sin is only natural in man! I'm not giving anyone any license to sin its just plain natural in man! I've had to put up with this sinful nature all my life, I hate it, I

loathe it and I cry out for its release every day! Romans 8:24 Read it! There is something loathsome about sin in man; it always has the tendency to pull us down. This may not be a good analogy but as the pig always returns to the slop, so is the nature of man; it always turns him to sin! It must be kept in check! You better guard your heart! You better guard your mind! Don't be upset, Cool down! Some medicines are hard to swallow! It's for our own well being! Knowing and admitting this to me is one of the greatest choices I've made in my life! It has open up new worlds for me. Let's look at sin: what is sin? From God's view sin is the real you! The real person! Sin is not, IS NOT! Smoking, drinking, gambling, adultery, murder and so on, these things are the fruit of sin, these things are what comes from having a sinful nature! God uses the word HEART in the Bible for sin, yes He does! Sin is in the heart! Not the organ that carries the blood throughout the body, but the real you! The heart is sinful it is deceitful! Sin and heart are one and the same, the same word! HEART, SIN! Mark 7:21 says "For from within out of the heart of men proceed evil thoughts..." Read it, read it for yourself! Don't stumble into Hell for not knowing what God says sin is! That's stupid and insane! We all must acknowledge our sinful nature, not our sins! The best person in the world goes to Hell because he refuses to acknowledge his nature is sinful! Confessing your faults is commendable! But that misses the mark! Confessing that your nature, your heart is sinful! That's the ticket! That hit's the mark! That's what God demands! That's why Jesus said, "Ye must be born again!" The Bible is right! The Bible knows me, it should, its Author is my Creator, He knows me better than I know myself and that's how the Bible has my number! My ticket! God knows that, He knows what we are made of, He knows what we have to put up with and He understands! Yes He does, He understands! Thank God! Now to the examination!

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Knowing now it is impossible to attain to God's standard we must look elsewhere, outside of ourselves! "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith..." The examination, what is it? It's God's test! Faith is the key! What is faith? Faith believes God! Faith is taking God at His word! Faith is always admitting that I'm wrong and God is always right! "Let God be true but every man a liar." Faith is believing the Book, the Bible over anything and everything! Faith is literally taking God at His Word! God is testing man to see what man will do with His Word, with the Bible, with Jesus Christ! To see whether he believes Him or not! The Bible is alive; The Bible gives life to those who will believe it! I picked the Bible up when I was 16 years old and it gave me life! I'm a Baptist today because the Bible made me a Baptist! I'm not a Baptist by choice, God made me a Baptist! I'm a Baptist by conviction! When I was reading in the Bible, the Bible told me I had to be a Baptist to be right! It's alive, it gave me life and I believe it and I will never question it! I'm not going to question God! Who am I to question God? I'm nothing more than a sinful, fallen punk who deserves Hell! I, if I could have lived a perfect sinless life and had been the best person in the world and had given all I possessed to help the poor I still would deserve Hell and go to Hell! You better watch out here I might have a Baptist fit a Baptist spell, I believed the Book and it gave me life! Jesus Christ did not die in vain, He died for me! He loves me! I'm about to leap out of my chair! God wants' to know what you will do with His Word, the Bible, whether you will believe it or not! You better be careful how you approach that book! It's a dangerous book! The Bible draws and it also repels! It gives light and darkness to the soul! The Bible can either be a curse or a blessing; it just depends on the attitude of the one who approaches it! The Bible is the test! His Word is the test! Do you believe it? What are you doing with it? What are you doing with the Word of God? What have you done with the Written Word, the Bible? What have you done with the living Word, Jesus Christ? Now to the most important thought.

This last thought! Now that we know that our goodness is not acceptable to God! Now that we understand what sin is! How can we know that we are acceptable to God?

Just this "IN HIS SON!" God loves His Son and as we can see His Word. They're one and the same! Are you acceptable? NO! Not in myself but if you are in Jesus Christ, He and He alone is the only one who makes you acceptable! "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, ACCEPTABLE unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and ACCEPTABLE, and perfect, will of God. Romans 12:1-2. I remember about twelve years ago a neighbor was always complaining about our children, they hadn't done anything to offend her, they just happened to be the children of a Baptist preacher and she hated Baptist preachers. She let it be known all over town and she sure made a spectacle of herself! She's in her eighties, I'm telling you the truth, and she'll ride by our home and give my boys the finger, she stills does it today. That's true! She hates me with a passion! She told me that she would fight the devil just to get to me! Well glory! Now let me ask you something? Do you think I'm going to let that, whatever she is in my home? How do you think God feels? After what the world has done to His Son? I'll tell you how He feels, He's mad, and He's coming back mad! The only way a person is made acceptable to God is through Jesus Christ! He must be received! He must be born again! By faith remember "taking God at His Word!" Then, simply ask him to save you! And believe He did!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THE ETERNAL LIVING WORD?

## **BELOW IS FROM THE WORD OF GOD AND HOW I KNOW I'M GOING TO HEAVEN!**

### **THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD**

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." (I John 5:13)

"...I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." (II Tim. 1:12)

"Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit." (I John 4:13)

Are you going to Heaven or Hell? Do you know the answer right now, or are you waiting to find out after you die? Unfortunately, most people do NOT know the answer and are waiting to see how things turn out.

People are living as though the Bible had never been written. People are living their lives in uncertainty, not considering the fact that God has spoken very clearly about their eternal destiny. What about you?

Are you going in unbelief ignoring God's word, or are you willing to take a few moments to see for yourself that God says it IS possible to KNOW your eternal destiny?

### **THE PROMISE OF ETERNAL SECURITY**

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." (John 10:28)

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

I know I'm going to Heaven because God has PROMISED eternal security to all who BELIEVE on His son, the Lord Jesus Christ. To "believe" on Christ is to "receive" Christ, according to John 1:12.

During the spring of 1960, I received Jesus Christ as my Saviour. I had been lost in my sins, condemned to Hell forever (John 3:18, 36). Then a man told me how I could be saved from my sins and from Hell by RECEIVING the Lord Jesus Christ. I received Christ, believing that He ALONE could save me. I trusted in Him totally, for I knew that HE was my only hope. I called upon Him to save me and HE did (Rom. 10:13, 9-10). He brought me into God's family as a "son of God" (John 1:12; I John 3:2-3). I was a child of the devil, a child of wrath (John 8:44; Eph. 2:2-3), but now I'm eternally secure as a child of God.

If I sin as a child of God, then my Heavenly Father will rebuke me and chasten me just as any good father would (Rev 3:10; Heb. 12:4-8), but He will not condemn me with the world (I Cor. 11:32). God as promised His children ETERNAL SECURITY.

### **THE POSSESSION GOD HAS GIVEN HIS SAINTS**

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." (John 5:24)

"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." (I John 5:12)

"And this is the record that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son." (I John 5:11)

I know I'm going to Heaven because God has already given me ETERNAL LIFE. I am not waiting to receive eternal life.

I ALREADY HAVE it as a present possession. Read the above verses carefully and see for yourself that eternal life is IN Jesus Christ, and that you can receive eternal life RIGHT NOW by receiving Christ right now!

When I received the Lord Jesus Christ as my Saviour, God placed His Eternal Spirit within me and gave me Eternal Life. As a child of God, I'm still waiting to see Jesus, to enter Heaven, and to receive my new glorified body, but I'm NOT waiting to be saved. My soul IS saved, and I know I'm going to Heaven because God has given me Eternal Life.

## **THE POWER OF GOD'S PRESERVATION**

"Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." (I Pet. 1:5)

"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:" (Phil 1:6)

I know that I'm going to Heaven because GOD is preserving me. I'm not preserving my own salvation. I wasn't saved by my good works (Eph. 2:8-9; Rom. 4:5), so I do not STAY saved by my good works. I am KEPT by the POWER OF GOD, not by my own power! God is able to keep me from falling (Jude 24), because I'm HIS child and I'm in the palm of HIS hand. (John 10:28-29) Ephesians 4:30 says that I have been SEALED by the Holy Spirit of God until the day of redemption! I'm not worried about losing my Salvation. I KNOW I'm going to Heaven because I'm being preserved by God's power.

## **THE PERFECTION OF THE SAINTS OF GOD**

"For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified." (Heb. 10:14)

But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works, Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin." (Rom 4:5-8)

"...Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood," (Rev 1:5)

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:" (Col 1:14)

Have you ever heard the expression "Nobody's perfect?" That's not true. In God's eyes the SOULS of all His saints ARE perfect, because they have placed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ for Salvation. Jesus shed His sinless blood to pay for my sins. He OFFERED Himself as a PAYMENT for my sins. He paid my sin debt because I couldn't. By receiving Him as my Saviour, I am also receiving the fact that He has PAID for my sins and that I can now REST in His finished work, because my sins are GONE! My soul (not my flesh) has been made PERFECT through the completed Blood Atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ, and I KNOW I'm going to Heaven!

## **What about you?**

**Why not** forsake your own self-righteousness right now and receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour?

**Why** live a life of uncertainty when you can KNOW your eternal destiny?

**Why** not get it settled right now? Receive Christ today. Mark 1:15 says, "...repent ye, and believe the gospel." To repent means realizing "what you are", a Sinner! Not who you are! What you are! And to allow God to turn you away from sin to Him!

Come to Him just as you are realizing that you are a sinner before a Just and Holy God and that you can do nothing for your salvation except trust in the finished work of Christ at the cross of Calvary. Jesus said in John 19:30 "...It is finished."

Romans 10:9-10 says, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

### **DO YOU BELIEVE THE WORD OF GOD?**

Why not call upon the Lord to save you right now? You've seen the promises of Scripture.

Are you willing to CLAIM those promises by receiving the Lord Jesus Christ today?

**Tomorrow may be too late.**

**ONLY BELIEVE!**